Missing of currency notes in Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Vibhag in Mysore

2232. DR. VIJAY MALLYA:
SHRI LALIT SURI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are incidents of currency notes missing in Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Vibhag in Mysore;

(b) what has been the proposal of the case where currency notes went missing during transit from Mysore to Thiruvananthapuram;

(c) the persons responsible for the procedural lapses and poor security norms; and

(d) what are the findings of CBI in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) As per information received from the BRBNMPL, two incidents of missing currency notes have taken place in its presses since May, 1998.

(b) It is yet to be established if the incident of missing of currency notes happened during the transit of currency from Mysore to Thruvananthapuram.

(c) and (d) The case is under investigation by the CBI. BRBNMPL has initiated Departmental disciplinary proceedings against six suspected officials working in its Mysore Press. In the meanwhile, a number of measures have been taken by BRBNMPL to strengthen security system at the Presses.

Resettlement of Tsunami affected people

2233. DR. T SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether government have cleared loans on liberal terms to people including fishermen in Southern States and two Union Territories hit by Tsunami waves and asked insurance companies to quickly settle their claims for boats and other equipments;

(b) if so, to what extent Government have given assistance to these people who have suffered great loss to build their houses and make them fully comfortable;

(c) what is the total number of people that have been affected; and

(d) how many of them have been fully resettled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (b) Government of India *vide* its Office Memorandum dated 27.01.2005 advised CMDs of all Public Sector Banks (PSBs) to expeditiously implement the Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation Package for Tsunami affected areas and a revised relief package including bank loan alongwith guidelines dated 24th February, 2005 was issued to the respective States/Union Territories i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry and Andaman & Nicobar Islands for immediate implementation. The salient features of the revised special relief package for fishermen community are indicated in the Statement I & II (See below). Data relating to the number of applications received under the package are not available at present. The Life Insurance Companies (LICs) and Public Sector General Insurance Companies have also been advised to simplify claims procedures and settle claims quickly to mitigate the sufferings of the Tsunami affected persons.

The Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation Package includes the following estimates for housing:—

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of States/UTs	Amount
1.	Pondicherry	50.00
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2.30
3.	Tamil Nadu	650.00
4.	Kerala	50.00

(c) and (d) The total number of people affected by Tsunami is reported to be 27.92 lakh. The information in respect of people who have been fully resettled is not available as yet.

Statement-I

Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation package

The salient features of Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation package—Fishermen: The brunt of the Tsunami have been bone by the fishermen community. As

such, a special package has been approved for replacement boats and nets with the following norms (For Kerala, Tamii Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Pondicherry).

(a) Replacement of Cataraman Boats plus nets upto unit cost of Rs. 32,000	Fully Subsidy
(b) Replacement of Boats plus motor and nets upto unit cost of Rs. 1.50 lakh	50% subsidy and 50% loan
(c) Replacement of Mechanized boats plus nets upto unit cost of Rs. 20.00 lakh	35% subsidy (with a ceiling of Rs. 5.00 lakh) and balance as loans
(d) Repair of Mechanized boats	60% subsidy (with a celing of Rs. 3.00 lakh) and balance as loan
(e) Repairs of all other types of boats	Full subsidy upto Rs. 10,000

Fishermen covered by the package indicated at (a) will have the option to opt for package indicated at (b) above.

Bank loans will carry interest at 7%. Interest subsidy of 2% will be paid in case of prompt repayment. The moratoriun for the loan payment will be one and a half years and repayment period will be seven years after that. Affected fishermen will be entitled to get loans, even if earlier loans are outstanding.

Statement-ll

Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation package for Andaman & Nicobar Islands

The Salient features of Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation package—An assistance of Rs. 15.01 crore has been approved for the fishery sector, which includes Rs.2.53 crore for construction of cold storage. On the lines of the package for the fishery sector for the mainland, it has been agreed that the cost of country boats in the lowest category may be fully reimbursed. Keeping in view the high cost of transporation as most of these boats are

to be fabricated in the mainland and then transported, the following package has been approved (For Andaman & Nicobar Islands).

(a)	Replacement of country Boats (Dongies) plus nets upto unit cost of Rs, 65,000 including transportation cost from main land	Full Subsidy
(b)	Replacement/upgradation of Boats plus motor and nets upto unit cost of Rs. 1.50 lakh	50% subsidy and balance as loan
(c)	Repair of boats with motors	60% subsidy (with a ceiling of Rs. 65,000) and balance as loan
(d)	Repairs of country boats (Dongies)	Full subsidy upto Rs. 10,000
(e)	Repairs of cold storage	As per damange assessment.

Note: There are no fibre glass or big mechanised boats in the Islands.

Fishermen covered by the package indicated at(a) will have the option to opt for package indicated at(b) above.

Bank loans will carry interest at 7%. Interest subsidy of 2% will be paid in case of prompt repayment. The moratorium for the loan payment will be one and a half years and repayment period will be seven years after that. Affected fishermen will be entitled to get loans, even if earlier loans are outstanding.

Sanction of loans for PMRY schemes

2234. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases processed by the State Government and forwarded to the Central Government for bank loans on PMRY schemes and allied schemes during the year 2003-04 and 2004-05;

(b) the number of cases finalized for sanction of Bank Loans and the number actually getting disbursements during the year 2003-04 and 2004-05, State-wise;